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## Viewing cable 08TRIPOLI992, LIBYA INTERESTED IN U.S. WEAPONS, MORE AMBIVALENT ON OTHER MILITARY COOPERATION

If you are new to these pages, please read an introduction on the [structure of a cable](#) as well as how to [discuss them](#) with others. See also the [FAQs](#)

### Understanding cables

Every cable message consists of three parts:

- The top box shows each cables unique reference number, when and by whom it originally was sent, and what its initial classification was.
- The middle box contains the header information that is associated with the cable. It includes information about the receiver(s) as well as a general subject.
- The bottom box presents the body of the cable. The opening can contain a more specific subject, references to other cables ([browse by origin](#) to find them) or additional comment. This is followed by the main contents of the cable: a summary, a collection of specific topics and a comment section.

To understand the justification used for the classification of each cable, please use this [WikiSource](#) article as reference.

### Discussing cables

If you find meaningful or important information in a cable, please link directly to its unique reference number. Linking to a specific paragraph in the body of a cable is also possible by copying the appropriate link (to be found at the paragraph symbol). Please mark messages for social networking services like Twitter with the hash tags **#cablegate** and a hash containing the reference ID e.g. **#08TRIPOLI992**.

Reference ID	Created	Released	Classification	Origin
08TRIPOLI992	2008-12-31 14:22	2011-08-30 01:44	SECRET	Embassy Tripoli

Appears in these articles:

<http://www.telegraph.co.uk/news/wikileaks-files/libya-wikileaks/>

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TO RUEHC/SECSTATE WASHDC IMMEDIATE 4282  
INFO RUEHKG/AMEMBASSY CAIRO PRIORITY 1363  
RUEHTU/AMEMBASSY TUNIS PRIORITY 0720  
RUEHAS/AMEMBASSY ALGIERS PRIORITY 0858  
RUEHRE/AMEMBASSY RABAT PRIORITY 0801  
RUEHLO/AMEMBASSY LONDON PRIORITY 0976  
RUEHFR/AMEMBASSY PARIS PRIORITY 0663  
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SUBJECT: LIBYA INTERESTED IN U.S. WEAPONS, MORE AMBIVALENT ON OTHER MILITARY COOPERATION

REF: A) TRIPOLI 870, B) TRIPOLI 481 CLASSIFIED BY: Gene A. Cretz, Ambassador, U.S. Embassy - Tripoli, U.S. Dept of State. REASON: 1.4 (b), (d)

[1](#)1. (S/NF) MFA Secretary for the Americas Ahmed Fituri told A/DCM on December 23 that Muammar al-Qadhafi's much-publicized discussions about pc

[1](#)2. (C) Fituri said that while Muatassim and senior Libyan MOD and security officials agreed that they would prefer to purchase U.S. equipment,

[1](#)3. (S/NF) Comment: Fituri's account is consistent with what we have heard previously about the fact that military engagement with the U.S. is